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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

VIA EFS Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This responds to the Non-Final Office Action mailed July 23, 2009 in the aboveidentified application. Applicants have filed herewith a petition, and paid the appropriate fee for a extension of time extending the date to respond to the Office Action up to, and including January 23, 2010. Because January 23, 2010 fell on a Saturday, the filing of this response today, January 25, 2010 is timely.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.